## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF LEXINGTON MEA LIMITED PARTNERSHIP FOR ISSUANCE OF A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO CONSTRUCT AN ADDITIONAL CELL SITE IN VANCEBURG, LEWIS COUNTY, KENTUCKY FOR THE PROVISION OF DOMESTIC PUBLIC CELLULAR RADIO TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE TO THE PUBLIC IN KENTUCKY RURAL SERVICE AREA NO. 8- MASON

CASE NO. 94-345

## ORDER

On September 15, 1994, Lexington MSA Limited Partnership ("Lexington MSA LP") filed an application seeking a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct and operate a cellular radio telecommunications antenna tower in Rural Service Area No. 8 ("RSA No. 8"). The proposed cell site consists of a guyed antenna tower not to exceed 413 feet in height, with attached antennas, to be located off State Route No. 10, Vanceburg, Lewis County, Kentucky. The coordinates for the proposed cell site are North Latitude 38° 34' 34.27" by West Longitude 83° 26' 23.68".

Lexington MSA LP has provided information regarding the structure of the tower, safety measures, and antenna design criteria for the proposed cell site. Based upon the application, the design of the tower and foundation appears to meet the criteria of the Building Officials and Code Administrators International, Inc. National Building Code, with reference to earthquakes, winds, and tornadoes.

Pursuant to KRS 100.324(1), the proposed cell site's construction is exempt from local zoning ordinances. Lexington MSA LP has filed applications with the Federal Aviation Administration ("FAA") and the Kentucky Airport Zoning Commission ("KAZC") seeking approval for the construction and operation of the proposed cell site. Both applications are pending.

The only property owner within a 500-foot radius of the proposed tower's construction is the owner from whom Lexington MSA LP leases the property.

Pursuant to KRS 278.280, the Commission is required to determine proper practices to be observed when it finds, upon complaint or on its own motion, that the facilities of any utility subject to its jurisdiction are unreasonable, unsafe, improper, or insufficient. To assist the Commission in its efforts to comply with this mandate, Lexington MSA LP should notify the Commission if it does not use this antenna tower to provide cellular radio telecommunications services in the manner set out in its application and this Order. Upon receipt of such notice, the Commission may, on its own motion, institute proceedings to consider the proper practices, including removal of the unused antenna tower, which should be observed by Lexington MSA LP.

The Commission, having considered the evidence of record and being otherwise sufficiently advised, finds that Lexington MSA LP should be granted a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct and operate the proposed cell site in RSA No. 8 under its currently approved tariff.

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. Lexington MSA LP be and it hereby is granted a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct and operate a guyed antenna tower not to exceed 413 feet in height, with attached antennas, to be located off State Route No. 10, Vanceburg, Lewis County, Kentucky. The coordinates for the proposed cell site are North Latitude 38° 34' 34.27" by West Longitude 83° 26' 23.68".
- 2. Lexington MSA LP shall file a copy of the final decisions regarding its pending FAA and KAZC applications for the proposed construction within 10 days of receiving these decisions.
- 3. Lexington MSA LP shall immediately notify the Commission in writing, if, after the antenna tower is built and utility service is commenced, the tower is not used for a period of 3 months in the manner authorized by this Order.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 28th day of October, 1994.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman

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Commissioner

ATTEST:

Executive Director